

PRIZES FOR CONDUCTORS.

Chance for the Fat Ones Who Run Street Cars.

MANY WILL ENTER CONTEST

Clerks Busy with Motormen's Claims—Result Will Be Announced Soon.

The Evening World announces the beginning of a "Fat Conductors" contest, which ended Saturday night.

The same conditions will prevail so that the men on both sides of the car have had an equal chance to increase their physical as well as their financial condition.

Conductors of cars within a radius of twenty-five miles of City Hall are eligible. The Evening World offers prizes in cash prizes in gold. The first prize is \$25 to the fattest conductor, a runner-up of \$15 to the next fattest conductor and a prize of \$10 to the third fattest conductor.

There is but one stipulation. Each contestant must be weighed in the presence of two reliable witnesses and the accuracy of the scales attested. Entries must be addressed to the "Fat Conductors" Editor, P. O. Box 2,254, New York City.

This second contest is a grand idea, said Conductor William O'Brien, of the Madison avenue line, to a reporter for The Evening World this morning. "By availing ourselves of certain nutritious condiments we should encounter no insurmountable difficulties in increasing perceptibly our avoirdupois. It will be a contest of rivalry between us and the motormen to see which end of the car put on the most flesh in a given length of time."

Now that Col. Roosevelt is forty miles beyond the telegraph frontier and the papers are enjoying a relaxation of his heroic acts of grabbing ferocious bears by the ears and kicking them to death, the conductors and motormen are concentrating their whole attention on this contest and leading strenuous existences to the end that they may become prize-winners.

The news of the "Fat Conductors" contest spread this morning among the men who work the fare register and the motormen to see which end of the car put on the most flesh in a given length of time."

The last entry to be recorded in The Evening World's "Fat Motormen" contest was received just a few minutes before the contest closed, and was filed by John O'Neil, of 363 Third avenue, Brooklyn. O'Neil is a motorman employed on the New York street line, and before the advent of the trolley was a horse car driver. He has been "rail-roading" for many years and has a great personal following both in and out of the ranks. O'Neil was weighed by Thomas E. Ward, the proprietor of The Terminal Hotel, at Thirty-ninth street and Second avenue, Brooklyn, in the presence of Edward Davern, of 116 Prospect avenue and L. J. Paschhaus, of 609 Second street. O'Neil has had the grip and declares the fact that he is so fat.

He declares he has lost a pound of flesh, but he is still so heavy that he can give away weight and still break a scale's heart.

He has already been sent to work under the conditions of the contest were that all motormen taking a radius of twenty-five miles of City Hall Square were eligible, and as a result hundreds avoided themselves of the chance to compete.

To thoroughly and systematically assort these entries will take some time. The utmost haste, however, consistent with the proper consideration of each contestant's entry will be made. It is expected that the names of the three lucky prize winners may be announced in a few days.

NO SUNDAY PHOTOGRAPHING.

New Haven Artists Ordered to Close Up or Go to Jail.

(Special to The Evening World.) NEW HAVEN, Jan. 21.—New Haven has revised the blue laws against Sunday photography. Yesterday the notice notified all photographers in the city that have been in the habit of doing Sunday business that they must close up or suffer arrest.

Those thus affected claim the order is due to jealousy among rival photographers who will not work Sundays.

Shot a Negro Lawyer.

George Nelson, of 20 West Thirty-fifth street, a negro lawyer, was shot by Charles Williams, of 23 West Twenty-eighth street, during a row in a saloon at 25 Seventh avenue last night. He is not dangerously wounded. Williams was arrested.

Listing the Millionaires.

The list of millionaires and other prominent persons supplied by the World to the Tax Commission so that they can place the amounts for which they are taxed. After each name will be added to-day. President Fisher said the list would not be ready for publication until to-morrow.

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PUPILS OF PUBLIC SCHOOL PLAY POLICY IN SEVEN SHOPS.



Philadelphia Police Asked to Stop It; Principal Can't; Parents Won't.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 21.—Near the Henry Clay Primary School, in South Howard street, there are seven policy shops. Out of 35 pupils, boys and girls,

from seven to ten years old, 20 have confessed to the principal that they played policy regularly. They played at recess, or whenever they could. They hurried to school early in order to have a few spare minutes at the game. There had been some whispers about all these things and Principal Mary G. Edmunds lectured to the pupils on the evil in closing she said she hoped no one before her would do such a wicked thing. There was silence. "Every one of you who plays policy held up your hand," said the principal. Much to her surprise

there was a forest of little hands. Several of the pupils told her they had played it for her grandmother. The principal began an investigation and found the policy shops. The Superintendent of Public Schools has complained to the police to come to his help, and the end is not in sight. Strange as it may seem, some of the parents have objected to the principal interfering in such matters. Eight mothers, who admitted that they sent their children to play policy, waited on the principal of the school and told her to mind her own business.

NO MERCY FOR POLICEMAN.

McManus Must Stand Trial for His Brutality.

Magistrate Crane, in the Yorkville court, to-day gave Policeman Michael McManus, of the West Thirty-seventh street station, a scathing rebuke for failing to provide for his wife and three children. The latter are in city institutions.

McManus lives at 207 Tenth avenue. Agent Watson, of the Children's Society, who caused the arrest of the policeman, told Magistrate Crane that McManus has not supported his wife or children since 1897.

"This is one of the most aggravated cases I ever heard of," said Magistrate Crane. "You're a policeman, with a good salary, and yet you want the city to provide for your children. I'm ashamed of you. You're a disgrace to the department which has so many good men. I have no mercy for you." McManus did not try to deny the charges.

"I will send you to prison," declared the Magistrate, "and put your wife and children in the city institutions. Make your excuses there."

McManus will have to provide a \$30 bond for his release. He is now in all track of Mrs. McManus. Some time ago McManus promised to pay \$2 a week for the support of each child, but failed to do so.

POLICE IN BIG BLOCKADE VIOLATING LAW.

Manufacturer Bracker Makes Charges Against Connors and Cusick.

Henry J. Bracker, a manufacturer of oils at 109 William street, and an official in the Lead Trust, living at 146 West Seventy-second street, was before Police Inspector Thompson today to make complaint against Policemen William Connors and Patrick Cusick, of the West Twentieth street station, for refusing to do their duty.

On the night of Jan. 12 Mr. Bracker attended a performance in the Grand Opera-house, at Eighth avenue and Twenty-third street. He noticed the police placing chairs in two of the aisles, to accommodate the crowd. This he knew was plainly in violation of a city ordinance, and a measure to the safety of the audience.

Policemen Connors' attention was called to the fact and he spoke to Manager Springer. The latter refused to remove the chairs and Policeman Cusick took the manager's side and refused his partner not to interfere. Mr. Bracker ordered the firemen stationed in the theatre, and when he refused to do anything Mr. Bracker called up Fire Headquarters. Battalion Chief Goodson was sent to the theatre and he ejected the aisles of chairs. Before he went to his home Mr. Bracker wrote Inspector Thompson, telling him of the conduct of the officers.

He was invited to go to Headquarters and prefer charges, which he did. The men will be tried Thursday. Manager Springer insisted that he was inside the law, and with the chairs in the aisles could still remain the space required by law. Inspector Thompson has had special men at the theatre for a week waiting to see if the manager wanted to make a test case of it.

HAZING BARS CADETS.

The Congressional Committee Will Anne Dismissal as Penalty.

(Special to The Evening World.) WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—The Congressional committee appointed to investigate hazing at West Point will meet to-morrow to frame a report. The report will say that while Cadets Ross and Brea were hazed, the hazing did not in any way cause their death.

The committee will also recommend that in future any cadet who shall be guilty of hazing shall be dismissed from the academy and shall not be eligible for reappointment to the academy or to the army of the United States.

Three Sentenced in Explosion.

GLoucester, Mass., Jan. 21.—By the bursting of a large steam boiler in the Excelsior Laundry here to-day Fredrick Allen, Miss Lella Turner and Miss Kitty Dresser, employees, were severely scalded by escaping steam. The building was partially demolished.

Shipwrecked on Shore.

CHATHAM, Mass., Jan. 21.—A three-masted schooner parted her chains during a gale in Chatham Bay and went ashore at Harding's Beach. The Chatham Life-Saving Crew has gone to the vessel, the name of which is not known.

GIANT BOY'S BODY TOO BIG FOR HIS HEART.



ANDERSON, Ind., Jan. 21.—Graver Allen, the boy giant, who died recently, was eight years and seven months old. He was four feet six inches tall and weighed 250 pounds. He gained flesh at the rate of ten pounds a month. In the opinion of medical experts his heart was too weak and it broke down upon it by his body.

MESSANGER BOY A GIRL. DOTTIE HAMMOND'S STUNTS.

The Brooklyn Rapid Transit began its promised service of elevated railway trains from farthest Brooklyn across the Bridge to Manhattan at 9:15 this forenoon.

For exactly twenty-five minutes the "R" trains bowed along over the bridge to Park Row packed full of rejoicing Flatbushmen, East New Yorkers and Ridgewooders. Then there was trouble.

Motor car 41, pulling two coaches, was midway between the Park Row station and the first tower on the return trip when her brakes got clogged and the train halted, stuck fast and fast. All the efforts of the trainmen to free the shoe were unavailing for nearly half an hour.

Meantime other trains crossed from Brooklyn, dumping their passengers at Park Row and started on the return trip to the city.

The passengers wanted to climb down to the roadway, but were restrained by the trainmen.

After twenty-five minutes of blue profanity from the imprisoned passengers a bright idea was born. The trainmen were moved slowly up until they formed a continuous train from Park Row to motor car 41, and the passengers passed in procession through the trains to the station, just in time to see the trains they had left move on their way.

ACKRON FINED \$25.

Former Tivoli Proprietor Found Guilty of Violating Excise Laws.

Charles E. Ackron, former proprietor of the Tivoli, in West Thirty-fifth street, was fined \$25 today in the Court of Special Sessions for selling liquor ten minutes after 1 o'clock on the morning of March 16 last. His bartender, Samuel Brown, of 69 West Ninety-sixth street, was fined \$10.

On a charge of having assaulted a cabman, James Bryan, on July 11, Ackron was acquitted.

Mekinsley at His Desk.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 21.—President McKinley has almost completely recovered from his recent illness and was in his office at the usual time today. Mrs. McKinley's health is quite good.

Boys Hurt While at Play.

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TRIED TO DYE HIS WHISKERS.

Turned Red and Hair Fell Out—Sues for \$25,000.

Oh, the man who'd dye his whiskers black to fall in with a crowd. For his black with, alas, a lack. While the brush on his head is now bright red, And he'll lose it all to-morrow. —Ballet of the Bearded Lady.

Are a man's whiskers and hair worth \$25,000?

Frank J. Britton, an insurance agent, of Mount Vernon, says they are, and for that reason he has brought suit for damages for that amount against a well-known firm of manufacturers.

Some time ago Britton dropped into a drug store.

"Say, old man," said the druggist, when Britton took off his hat to scratch his head, "you are gray as the top of Pike's Peak."

"That's right," said Britton. "I've thought of having a bootblack give my head a shine."

"Yes," said the druggist. "Sure thing."

Then the druggist took down a long bottle. Britton scanned the label and was filled with much joy. He believed his flowing locks would be glossy black again.

"One dollar, please," said the druggist.

When Britton reached home he soaked his whiskers and his head in the fluid. Then he let out a wild, unmanly yell. His head felt like a hot tamale. His whiskers seemed to sizzle up at the ends and looked like the first work in an Italian sunset.

"I am ruined," cried Britton. And now he says the beard that was once his pride was stained as scarlet as the hem of the Caymans, and as for his head, it resembled a checker-board-black and white in spots. He looked at his himself in the mirror and was falling day by day.

That is why the suit will come up in White Plains in March.

POULTRY SHOW WEDNESDAY

Thousands of Birds Will Be Quartered in Garden.

The twelfth annual exhibition of the New York Poultry and Pigeon Association will open in Madison Square Garden Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock, and continue day and evening until Saturday night.

There will be thousands of birds, a display of pigeons, a good showing of exhibition yards, the incubators and brooders, special exhibits of swans, pheasants and ducks. In the concert hall, the pet stock department, all the latest rabbits, cats, canines and caged birds, the latter exhibit under the auspices of the Ornithological Society. The show will open at 9 o'clock each day and close at 10:30 o'clock at night.

Offer in Abeyance.

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Mrs. McLean has given no definite reply.

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her work for the Daughters of the Revolution, because of her devotion to its interests, and the constant exercise of her energies in its behalf, because of her ability as a presiding officer, as a leader and just in her decisions, and of an oratorical ability which has been recognized in the organizations of both men and women in every part of the country, whose reputation and ability is not confined to any locality, but has become nationally recognized? Which point is exactly the same principle borne by a second party in either instance?

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DROPPED IT.

Quit Coffee and Got Well.

"My breakfast never seemed complete without coffee, but the stomach became gradually weakened, although I had no idea of the cause. An hour or so after getting up the next morning I felt a dull ache in my stomach and sick headache set up. This misery would continue two or three hours, increasing to an intense burning pain, until relieved by vomiting; then I would quickly recover."

"These attacks grew more frequent, and the pain more intense, until I began to affect my general health. I tried many remedies for strengthening my stomach, until finally I noticed that the much-loved coffee appeared to have a more potent effect, and I concluded to see what effect leaving it off would have."

"In a short time the sick, aching attacks ceased entirely, gradually my stomach regained its vigor. I began drinking Postum Food Coffee and I discovered by experiment that it has a delicious crisp coffee taste, and yet I could drink all I wanted of it without any oppression; on the contrary, it gave me a well-fed, nourished and lightened feeling, instead of the old oppression."

"My general health has been greatly improved and I am able to eat without fear many things I dared not attempt before. I am grateful that some one has found so satisfactory a beverage. It is already a boon to thousands who have been troubled by coffee drinking, and there are yet thousands who, if they knew the cause of their trouble, would get well by leaving off coffee and using Postum Food Coffee. Please omit name. Name and address furnished by Postum Food Coffee Co., Ltd., Battle Creek, Mich."

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Oscar Johnson, of 612 Third avenue, Brooklyn, left his range fire to burn through the night, and at 2:15 this morning was roused by the sound of crackling fire.

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Seek north or south or east or west, a Sunday World want ad's the best

WANT MRS. McLEAN FOR PRESIDENT.

Large Faction of the D. A. R. Believes That She Most Deserves the Honor.



MRS. DONALD McLEAN.

A division is reported as imminent in the ranks of the Daughters of the American Revolution. There are two factions at present, and each has its own ideas in the matter of nominating a president.

One side favors Mrs. Donald McLean, of the city. The other prefers a woman whose husband is present in the national capital. This party has named Mrs. Fairbanks, of Indiana.

The presidential election will occur in Washington next month at the tenth annual Continental Congress of the National Society.

One of the prominent members in talking with me said: "The party pursued in Washington by a small executive board, whereby the interests of the country at large are ignored, is not agreeable to the majority of the society. That majority has hesitated for some time to enter into an actual contest."

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FIRE DRIVES OUT CHILDREN.

Randall's Island Inmates Sing as They March from Building.

Singing "Hail Columbia," 725 boys and 100 girls on Randall's Island marched out into the bitter cold last night. They had been aroused from sound sleep by the alarm of fire.

By Superintendent Sage's watch it was one minute and forty-five seconds after the alarm was sounded when every boy and girl was in line and moving out of the building in perfect order.

The trained boys' fire brigade of fifty-four members was sent to its post in readiness to quench any stray sparks, but had nothing to do.

The cause of the alarm was a fire in the kitchen of the school of floriculture. The house is outside the walls surrounding the island.

Adjoining it were two greenhouses, each 100 feet in length and about thirty feet wide. The school of floriculture, a collection of flora. About a third of each greenhouse was destroyed by the fire, with the exception of the most highly specimens, practically all their contents were killed by the frost.

Superintendent Sage said there was no time any danger to the main buildings. But as a precaution he had the boys and girls march out. They returned to their beds and were sleeping soundly an hour later.

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MURDER STILL A MYSTERY.

Solution of Weisbard Case as Far Off as Ever.

In spite of as hard work as has ever been done by the New York police in a murder mystery, the solution of the Weisbard case appears now, after five days, to be as far off as ever.

The clues that have been run down by the scores of men on the case mount up into the hundreds, but there is, as Capt. Tittus admits to-day, not one so far to act as a leader in bringing to justice the murderers of the little jewelry peddler.

It is practically certain that at least three persons had a hand in the crime and that three or four others knew something about it, but so many concerned the chances of fermenting it out sooner or later through gossip are very good.

There is also the certainty that some of the identifiable goods will be disposed of and the probability that they will be traced back.

Merry Bachelors to Dance.

Murray Hill Lyceum will be a scene of revelry the evening of Feb. 2, when the Merry Bachelors will give their masquerade and civic ball. The committee in charge of arrangements promises a complete surprise this year in special dances, cakewalks and ballets.

CARRIED TOO FAR.

The Fear of Being Deceived or Humbugged Prevents Many People from Trying a Good Medicine.

Stomach troubles are so common, and in most cases so obstinate to cure, that people are apt to look with suspicion on any remedy claiming to be a radical permanent cure for dyspepsia and indigestion. Many such people pride themselves on their acuteness in never being humbugged, especially in medicines.

This fear of being humbugged can be carried too far, so far, in fact, that many people suffer for years with weak digestion rather than risk a little time and money in faithfully testing the claims made for a remedy so reliable and universally used as Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets.

Now Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets are vastly different in one important respect from ordinary patent medicines for the reason that they are not a secret patent medicine; no secret is made of the ingredients, but analysis shows them to contain the natural digestive ferments, pure aseptic pepsin (government test), Golden Seal and dillseed. They are not cathartic, neither do they act powerfully on any particular organ, but they cure indigestion on the common sense plan of digesting the food eaten thoroughly before it has time to ferment, sour and cause the mischief. This is the only secret of their success.

Cathartic pills never have and never can cure indigestion and stomach troubles, because they act only on the bowels, whereas the whole trouble is in the stomach. Stuart's Dyspepsia Tablets taken after meals digest the food. That is all there is to it. Food not digested or half digested is poison, as it creates gas, acidity, head-aches, palpitation of the heart, loss of flesh and appetite and many other troubles which are often called by some other name.